#### THE ITAH EXPEDITION

We publish this morning an interesting commun gion from Col. Johnston, commanding the Utah exdition, with the several letters accompanying it. they will be read with interest as showing the exact osition of the United States forces on the plains, god the hostile disposition the Mormons continue to milest towards the government.

## THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

an account of the enthusiastic demonstration by manifesting their gratification at his elevation to the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives, will be found in our columns this morning. This fattering ovation by his neighbors and friends at home proclaims to his thousands of friends throughout the Union that he is most highly appreciated where he is best known.

We publish this morning the remarks of Hon. John Letcher, of Virginia, in the House of Representaives, upon the treasury-note bill. To-morrow we eral of that State. shall resume the publication of the debate in the Senate on the Kansas question, presenting to our readers the speech of Hon. G. N. Fitch, of Indiana. that subject.

## THE LECOMPTON CONVENTION.

the Lecompton convention had been called by the marks : Kansas legislature in pursuance of a previous vote of the people of the Territory. This fact seems to have been overlooked, but there is no doubt that he vote was taken and that the legislature acted in pursuance of it. We have before us the "Kansas Weekly Herald," published at Leavenworth City, October 18th, 1856. It contains returns from various counties of the election held the first week of that month in the Territory, and the following is an extract from one of its editorial articles : (From the Kunsas Herald, Oct. 18, 1856.)

"According to an act of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Kansas, (See Statutes, pages 172 and 173.) a poll was opened throughout the Territory on the same day of our general election, for and against a con-vention. In this county, out of 150 votes cast, it was parly unanimous for a convention. It was generally the new as far as heard from. It was voted for on the ground of having the question settled of making Kansus a slave of having the question settled of making Kaneus a slave or a free State at as early a day as possible, and that in a iar and legal manner. • • The people have vot of for a convention, and the legislature will doubtless order the

This was the origin of the Lecompton convention. it was demanded by the people at the general election 4 October, 1856. The legislature then ordered the lection of delegates, and at the time appointed the convention was held. The Topeka men objected to it from the beginning; but no national democrat, either in Kansas or out of Kansas, ever denied its authority until after its adjournment. Then, because its action was not what they desired, there were some democrats who objected to its authority, and who insist that while it would have been quite regular if it had submitted the whole constitution to the people, it is quite irregular because it has only submitted the question of slavery. Without dwelling on the absurdity of thus determining the authority of the convention by the character of its doings, we wish to point out to our readers what was the great object of the convention as declared in the preceding extract from the Kansas Herald. "It was voted for (says the Herald) on the ground of having the question settled of making Kansas a slave or a free State at as early a day is the statement of a Kansas newspaper, written and rat promises to be very rich. printed in October, 1856. It is, therefore, a kind of contemporaneous authority, and explains clearly nine months of 1857 are stated as follows: what the great purpose was of those who voted for the Lecompton convention. This purpose was to settle the slavery question in a fair and legal manner; and upon this purpose How utterly insignificant everything else would curate estimate can be formed. have been described in comparison with this subject of slavery, which has itself suddenly become insignificant because it has been submitted! It was not insignificant before, because Acting Governor Stanton, in his inaugural, held the following language about it:

"I do not doubt, however, that in order to avoid all pretext for resistance to the peaceful operation of this law, the convention itself will, in some form, provide for law, the convention itself will, in some form, provide for submitting the great distracting question regarding their social institutions, which has so long agitated the people of Kansas, to a fair vote of all the actual bone file resi-dents of the Territory, with every possible security against fraud and violence. If the constitution be thus fraund, and the question of difference thus submitted to the decision of the people, I believe that Kansas will be admitted by Congress without delay as one of the sover-eign States of the American Union, and the territorial authorities will be immediately withdrawn."

Slavery was then "the great distracting question." he convention has fulfilled Gov. Stanton's expectation by submitting this question to the people of the Territory. It remains to be seen whether his prediction of what would result from this submission shall also be accomplished. If it is, "Kansas will be admitted by Congress without delay as one of the sovereign States of the American Union."

## A MERITED TESTIMONIAL

The Secretary of State has recently forwarded to the charter, will be finished by the 15th of February in 1854 \$2,438,900 the collector of the customs at Charleston, South next.

These views are entertained by those who think it policy

In 1854 \$2,438,900 in 1855 \$2,521,950 in 1856 \$3,954,700 in 1856 \$3,954,700 in 1857 \$4,000,000 the collector of the customs at Charleston, South next. carolina, a handsome silver trumpet, bearing the Carolina, a handsome silver trumpet, bearing the States to W. W. McLemon, captain of the British ship Star, for his noble and disinterested conduct to wards the captain and crew of the American schoener Northern Light. Capt. McLemon having the handsome testimonial returned to the Hon Mr. Colcock, through whom the presentation was made, his grateful acknowledgments for the highly-flattering and most unexpected notice taken of his act by the American government.

The se views are entertained by those who think it policy to admit Kaussi into the Union under the Lecompton constitution. They are equally hones and equally particle will have upon having as State government the public sentiment—the will of the majority—will govern regardless of outside interferences or the effect that the determination of any question of State policy will have upon the political parties of the country, or the political aspirations of any of their members. California cance into the Union regardless of precedents—we may say in spite of them—and it now looks as though Kansas would demand admittance with as little respect for pre-required forms.

In view of the isat two days several series of resolutions were offered in both branches relative to Kantas matters, but all of them were laid on the table.

MINNESOTA - ELECTION OF SENATORS.

The telegraph announces the election of Messrs. Rice and Shields by the legislature of Minnesota, on the 19th instant, to represent the new State in the United States Senate III Thise W a sall h. This result, which has been generally anticipated,

will be received with much satisfaction by their Will C W JANES, No. I Harrison affect, continual, this, is our substituting agent for the Westorn States, and states, assisted by Transa, William H. Therasa, Thest M. Janes, Dr. A. L. Carins, Wolfe, William H. Therasa, Thest M. Janes, Dr. A. L. Carins, Wolfe, William F. C. Carins, and Receipts of either wift be good.

As W. Bran is authorized to collect momers due the collect formers and advertisements in the District of the collect property of the collect formers. to many of our citizens. General Shields served one term in the Senate from Illinois, and now comes back as the representative of a new democratic State to

take part once more in the councils of the country. The legislature of Minnesota have displayed a just appreciation of the necessity of experience and inrmation concerning public affairs in the selection of these gentlemen as the first senators from the

The election of two senators by the legislature and of three representatives by the people, all democratic, completes the claim of Minnesota to the position immediate constituents of Hon. James L. Orr, of a thoroughly democratic State. It will shortly be admitted into the Union as such, and we predict for her a steady adherence to the political principles she has thus early adopted.

#### DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTIONS

The democratic State convention of Kentucky he held at Frankfort on the 8th day of January next. The democratic State convention of Texas will be held at Austin on the same day, to nominate candidates for comptroller, treasurer, and attorney gen-

### PENNSYLVANIA SECRETARY OF STATE.

The Reading Gazette announces that Govern Packer has formally tendered the office of secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to Hon. William M. Hiester, and that he has accepted the appoint-We noticed incidentally on Sunday morning that ment. In making this announcement the Gazette re-

marks:

"In making this selection, Governor Packer has handsomely acknowledged the political claims of Berks county;
while he has, at the same time, secured a cabinet officer
whose fitness for the post will be cheerfally admitted by
men of all parties. Mr. Hiester's three years' experience
at Harrisburg as a member of the senate—including one
year as speaker of that body—has familiarized him with
the affairs of the State government, and well qualified
him to assume the duties belonging to the head of the
executive department. And when we add to these his
well-known character as a cool reasoner, a judicious adviser, and a firm, though conservative democrat, we may,
with good reason, congratulate the governor upon the
excellence of his choice, and rejoice that Berks county, in
the person of one of her most esteemed citizens, has been
honored in a manner correspondent to her deserts."

### THE RIGHT POSITION.

We clip the following from the Menard Index of the 19th instant, published at Petersburg, Illinois : "It is true, the Index is for holding Kansas responsible to the government, with her present constitution, rather than to refer it back for the people of that Territory to be allowed to keep up an eternal and unnecessary agitation of the country, by voting it down and then to refuse to vote for another. They are not suited with it

fase to vote for another. They are not suited with it merely because they do not want to be, and we are opposed to any abuse of the privileges of self-government at the expense of the dignity and good character of the nation. "We do not contend with any of our democratic co-temporaries on this point. Those who differ with us, no doubt, desire the same as ourself an early settlement of the difficulties in that Territory, though we may differ as to the mode of securing that object. The government and the democratic party will maintain themselves in spite of Kansas and her mockery at their demands. If too much is not sacrificed, we are satisfied."

## AUSTRALIAN GOLD.

The London Economist of November 21 publishes ntelligence from the Australian mines down to September 2. The total amount of gold shipped ince the commencement of 1857, including the shipnents to the neighboring colonies, had been 79 tons 1 cwt. 3 qrs. 20 lbs. 11 ozs., which, at 80 shillings per oz., gives the value of £7,636,602. The receipts of gold by escort continued to be far in advance of those in the corresponding period in 1856. Ballarat gold had sold on the fields at 80 shillings per onnce, and other fields in proportion, but a reduction of 6d. per ounce was expected. The Economist is as possible, and that in a fair and legal manner." This also informed that the new gold field at Mount Ara-

The steamer shipments from California for the first

To New York	\$25,075,023
New Granada	6,664,028 324,929
Total	32,063,980
The amount expected during the same no	sind in 1950

question to the people. Does any man doubt that this is stated at \$36,134,066, showing a falling off in was the great question of the Territory? What would 1857 of \$4,070,086. Besides the steamer shipments, have been said had the rest of the constitution been however, large amounts are exported in sailing vessubmitted, and the slavery question not submitted? sels and in the hands of passengers of which no ac-

## THE ADRIATIC

Extract of a letter from Capt. L. B. Mackinnon, of the royal navy, dated off Liverpool, Thursday, December 3d, 1857, on board the Adriatic :

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"I am delighted with this magnificent ship: although we have been obliged to make the greatest portion of this passage under half steam, I feel confident that she will eventually cross the Atlantic in twenty hours less than any other vessel afloat. I only mention twenty hours, as I wish to be well within the mark.

"The internal arrangements, and economy, are admirable; and I feel satisfied that no person of experience can deny that the Adriatic, as a whole, is the sent perfect sea going steamer in the scorld; the clean, knife-like manner in which she cuts the water is a perfect marvel. When on an even keel there is no break or wave until the paddles strike the water. Astern, the sea is smoother than in any other place; the converging current cuterthan in any other place; the converging current cut-ting off the heads of sea as a scythe cuts grass. I never remember being in a ship which gave me so much confidence as to strength, stability, and power."

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILEGAD .- At a meeting of the directors of this company, in New Orleans, a resolution was adopted to discontinue the office at New York, except for the purpose of effecting transfers of stock. The Picayune says that the most effectual measures are in progress, and will be completed in a few days, whereby the twenty miles of road, necessary to meet the requisitions of

ABBUVAL OF THE CALIFORNIA STEAMER .- IM-

PORTANT NEWS FROM NICARAGUA. The steamship Northern Light arrived at New York from Aspinwall on Sunday evening, with late news from Nicaragua and California. The intelligence of the great-est interest is the breaking up of the fillibustering expe-dition, the arrival at New York of General Walker himself, and the return to the United States of 150 of his nen in the United States sloop-of-war Saratoga.

The New York papers of yesterday morning contain reluminous accounts of the transactions at San Juan, which inded in the surrender of Gen. Walker to Flag Officer Paulding, and the withdrawal of the expedition from Nicragua. We condense from these accounts the following

On the 4th inst. Colonel Frank Anderson, who had been sent with 50 men upon the expedition by General Walker, took Fort Castillo, and also the four steamers, Walker, took Fort Castillo, and also the four steamers, Bulwer, C. Morgan, La Virgen, and Ogden. He still re-tained possession of the fort at last accounts, and had, it is said, three months' provisions, with six pieces of artil-lery and plenty of ammunition.

On the 6th the United States steam frigate Wabash ar-rived off San Juan del Norte. The same morning her

rived off Sau Juan del Norte. The same morning her British Majesty's steamer Brunswick, propeller, and Leopard, side wheel, arrived off Sau Juan. On the afternoon of the 8th the United States steamer Fulton arrived, making four steamers—two British and two American, (including the Saratoga)—in the port.

On the evening of the 7th Gen. Walker saw a launch put off from the Saratoga, filled with armed men, and proceed towards the mouth of the river. He sent Captain Fayssoux to see what it meant. As the Captain approached the launch he was halled, and told that he could not the river Gratain F. realied. This is a Nice. go up the river. Captain F. replied: "This is a Nicaraguan boat in Nicaraguan waters." But the same order was repeated.—"You cannot go up." Captain Fayssoux asked by what authority he was forbidden. He was an-

was repeated—"You cannot go up." Captain Faysson, asked by what authority be was forbidden. He was answered, "By orders of Commodore Paulding." Captain F. asked who gave the order, and was answered Lieut. Cilley, of the Saratoga. As soon as these facts were reported to Gen. Walker, Captain F. was ordered to go on board the Wabash and explain to the Commodore the position of Gen. Walker's command; that a portion of his force was up the river; the necessity of the General's holding communication with it; if his forces were to be kept prisoners in their own camp, and hampered in their operations, he wanted to know it as soon as possible.

On the morning of the Sth Captain Fayssons went on board the Wabash. Soon after the Fulton came into the harbor, up to the bulk opposite the Transit Company's building, and there landed a large force of sallors and entires. At the same time a number of small boats and cutters fully manned and provided with boat howitzers were ranged in line in front of Gen. Walker's camp. The Saratoga was also made to present her broadside.

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Seeing that the Commodore intended to use force, Gen. Walker, to prevent any accidental collision, ordered the whole guard to be disarmed. Soon Capt. Frederick Engle, lieutenant commanding the Wabash, came up in his beat, landed in front of the general's quarters, and handed him a letter from the Commodore, which concluded with a demand that he surrender to the United States. Capt. Engle ordered the Nicaraguan flag to be hauled down. The order was obeyed. Gen. Walker then went cheed the Wabash; his officers and men went on board. down. The order was obeyed. Gen. Walker then went aboard the Wabash: his officers and men went on board the Saratoga, 140 or 150 in all. Meanwhile, just after the flag was struck, the steamer Morgan came down the river into the harbor with 40 Costa Ricen prisoners on board. She was in charge of Mr. McDonald. of Morgan & Son. McDonald explained his position to Commodore Paulding. The Commodore at once took pessession of the Morgan, released all the prisoners, and gave the loat into possession of the American consul,

The foregoing is from Walker's own account of the affair, which seems to agree substantially with all the thers in the newspapers. A correspondent of the Herald urnishes that paper with the subjoined particular account of the surrender:

"When the above disposition of the forces had beer adquarters of General Walker. During this time—as eneral Walker had received an intimation of Commodore ulding's intention to arrest the expedition—the guard o arrest the expedition—the guard d the army disbanded. According ad been disarmed and the army di ly, when Capt. Engle made the him off, but he was met by a l wharf, no sentry warr him off, but he was not by a body of unamed men, and among the number was Gen. Wm. Walker. The two officers met, and, after a mutual recognition, shook hands and retired into the rooms of the General. Capt. Fingle handed Gen. Walker a copy of his instructions, and demanded a surrender of the place, with its arms and munificated. I surrender, sir; I am under your orders," replied

Will you have your flag lowered, then?" asked the Captain; to which the General responded by ordering the officer of the day to haul down the Nicaraguan banner

The work was done.

Some further conversation occurred between the two Some further conversation occurred between the two fficers, during which Capt. Engle remarked:

"General, I am sorry to see an officer of your ability imployed in such a service. Nothing would give me rester pleasure than to see you at the head of regular

On the 12th inst. the United States sloop-of-war Saraoga sailed from San Juan del Norte with 150 officers and nen of Gen. Walker's army. Gen. Walker was taken to Aspinwall in the Wabash. Capt. Engle, of the Wabash, ame by the Northern Light, bearer of despatches for the

The California news by this arrival presents no features of special importance. Heavy rains had fallen through-out the State, which had proved opportune both for out the State, which had proved opportune both for farmers and miners, and business generally had an im-proving appearance. The determination of the Mormons to oppose the entrance of the United States troops into Salt Lake City had created considerable sensation, and the war spirit was running pretty high. Companies were fit-ting up for enlistment into the United States service in case a call is made for volunteers by government, two regiments in San Francisco being already prepared to take the field on the least intimation that their services would be accepted.

Picture of Life.—In youth we seem climbing up a hill, on whose top eternal sunshine appears to rest. How eagerly we pant to gain its summit! But when we have gained it, how different is the prospect on the other side! We sigh as we contemplate the waste before us; and look back with a wistful eye upon the flowery path we have passed, but may never more retrace. Life is like a portentous cloud fraught with thunder, storm; and rain; but religion, like those streaming rays of sunshine, will clothe it with light as with a garment, and fringe its shadowy skirts with gold.

Mosquiro Tonacco. - Mosquito tobacco is used in China Mosquiro Tonacco.—Mosquito tobacco is used in China for protection from what is to us a great summer pest. The ingredients are pine and juniper sawings, wormwood leaves and tobacco leaves reduced to powder, a small portion of wheens, and arsenic. The quantity of the latter is exceedingly small, and can hardly be injurious to the health, as this tobacco is used by probably one hundred million human beings. The odor is not at all disagreeable. It is no luxury to the mosquitoes, for in two or three minutes after it is ignited not a bug or mosquito is to be seen.

The Chicago Times contains a complete list of the buildings erected in that city during the year now near its close. Their actual cost, not including the value of the land on which they stand, amounts to four millions of dollars. The subjoined statement exhibits the amounts thus expended during the last four years:

The Wayne County (Ohio) Democrat compliments the costmaster General upon the improved mail arrange-

#### LOCAL NEWS.

Perr rue Oneman.—The lady managers of Saint Vincent's Orphan Asylum, with diffidence, submit their appeal in behalf of the numerous little orphan girls dependcent upon this institution for protection and support, an appeal which, to the charitable and humane, they confidently believe will not be in vain. They feel that in this work of charity they are not acting for themselves alone. but more as almoners and stewardeness of the enlightened and charitable community of which they are humble members. They believe that it is only necessary for them to announce, through the appropriate channels, that the results of their carnest endeavors and manual labors have been collected together in the accustomed form of a fair, at the Odd Fellows' Hall, on Seventh street, to insure the attendance of all good friends of the orphan. The mana-gers have succeeded in making and collecting many articles, both useful and ornamental, in the purchase of which their patrons will have the confortable assurance of aiding in this Heavenly charity, and laying up for themselves transces beyond the reach of temporal accident. Here parents may gladden the hearts of their children time, by their example, inculcate practical lessons of conmiscration for the fatherless and homeless little orphar girls, who might otherwise be begging from door to doo for a pittance of food and clothing, not having whereon to repose their wearied and shivering limbs and aching hearts, a prey to vice and crime, whose cruelties wou disregard the tears and cries of their wandering little vic-

The managers can assure the community that the indispensable enlargement of the asylum and the unavoida-ble expenditures for food and clothing for the orphans having required the application of all the disposable means of the institution, added to the pecuniary difficulfies of the times, have produced a real and urgent necessity for the aid of all good and charitable Christians on the present occasion, and that this appeal has not been made one moment before it was needed.

N. B.—Other city papers be pleased to insert for the

PERSONAL.—Hon. Henry W. Hilliard, of Alabama, now in this city, at Browns' Hotel. We learn that he has been invited to lecture at the Smithsonian Institu-

George Francis Train, esq., the author of that cele brated work, "Young America in Wall street;" Colonel Hiram Fuller, ex-editor of the New York Mirror; and Dr. Charles Mackay, of the London Illustrated News, are now in this city, at Willards'.

We are informed that Dr. Mackay will lecture in this city, on Saturday evening, on some topic connected with "poetry and song," with which he is intimately ac-quainted, and on which he lectures with great ability.

POSTPONEMENT. -The formal interview, or "council," between Mr. Mix, the Acting Commit Affairs, and the delegation of the Poncas, was postponed from yesterday until to-day, (Tuesday,) when it will be held at 10 o'clock, a. m., in the Indian Bureau, Depart ment of the Interior. A delegation from the Potts mie tribe will, at the same time, be presented to the Act-

WASHINGTON ART ASSOCIATION. -It should be remen red that the public exhibition of paintings, sketches and statuary held under the anspices of the associat is open every day from 10, a. m., until 10, p. m NAVAL COURTS OF INQUIRY .- Court No. 2 has finished

to-day take up the case of Captain William Ramsay, and court No. 4 will on Monday next take up the case of Commander William Armstrong, which will complete the business before them.

ART EXHIBITION.—The joint exhibition of that cele brated historical painting "The Restoration of the Rest and of the fac similes of the "Turner Legacy" of pictur to the English nation, is deservedly attracting many visitors. The exhibition is in the front upper room of Wall, Stephens, & Co.'s high new store. Good CHEER.-The sale at auction of a large assort-

nent of wines and liquors, carefully selected from the stocks of importing houses in New York, and suitable for private use, will be commenced this morning at 11 clock, at the sales-room of C. W. Boteler, Iron Hall, THE REPORTERS' GALLERY in the new hall of the Hou-

Representatives appears to give the most perfect satisfied faction to the "correspondents" who have examined it and seen the plans to be followed by the workmen nor busily engaged in fitting it up.

SMITHSONIAN LECTURES.—Professor Le Conte lectured last evening, and will deliver the last lecture of his cours on Wednesday evening. THE WEATHER yesterday was rainy and disagreenble

and a snow-storm was probably raging at the North.

HOLIDAY ATTIRE can be found at Walker & Co.'s. under

## DIED,

On the 27th instant, ELENOR FRANCIS, wife of T. M. THEFERT, and laughter of the late HEXEN HOWARD, in the 24th year of her age. Her funeral will take place from the residence of her husband o Manuschusetts avenue, between 14th and 15th streets, on Tuesday

## St. Mary's School.

RAISSON, North Carolina. Right Ren. Thos. Atkinson, D. D., Visitor; Rev. Aldert Smedes, D. D. Bector.

THE thirty-second term of this school will commone on the Sth January, 1858.
For a circular apply to the rector.
RAISBUR, December 13, 1857.
Dec 29—21

## Bank of the Metropolis,

Washington, December 28, 1867.

THE Board of Trustees have declared a dividend of four per cent. for the last six months out of the profits of the ank, to be paid to the stockholders on and after the 2d of January ext ensuing.

By order of the board:

ED. SMITH, Cashier.

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CARPENTERS WANTED at the Washington Thenire. Good hands only need apply to Mr. Durr at Car onn, corner of Cand 11th streets. The 29—21

CHARLES MACKAY.—The Poems and other works of this distinguished author for sale at TAYLOR & MACRY'S Bookstore, near 9th atreet.

## Mayor's Office,

Wachington, Dec. 22, 1857.

THE undersigned will, until Tuesday, the 29th inst., receive offers for the loan of fifteen thousand dollars to the corporation of Wachington for one year, at six per cent interest, in struss of too I less than one thousand dollars. This loan will be made under authority of an art approved December 9, 1857, authorizing the mayor to analocipate the revenues of the city for the purpose of paying for the erection of a new almehouse and other current expenses of the corporation.

TO THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON.

# Wolfe's Schiedam Aromatic Schnapps

and, as a beverage, it has no superior in the world.

Put up in quart and plot bottles, and for sale by all the deugsi UDOLPHO WOLFE.

Sole Importer and Manufacturer, 18, 20, and 22 Bouver street, New York. GENTS SHAWLS AND FINE CUT-VELVET

entings of fine etylor, at low prices,
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restings of the very best grader,
resting of the very best grader,
price only, marked in plain figures.

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### BY TELEGRAPH.

OFFICIAL.

UNITED STATES.

PROCLAMATION BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE

nes Buchanan, President of the United States, to all school

Now, therefore, be it known that I do hereby appoint

Monday, the 15th day of February, 1858, as the day for

The polls will be opened at nine o'clock, a. m., and

closed at five o'cleck, p. m. Every free white male citi-

zen of the United States above the age of twenty-one years

who shall have resided in the District of Columbia for one year next preceding the said 15th day of February.

The voting shall be by ballot. Those in favor of the

adoption of the Revised Code will vote a ballot with the

words "For the Revised Code" written or printed upon

the same; and those opposed to the adoption of the saic code will vote a ballot with the words "Against the Re

vised Code" written or printed upon the same.

The places where the said election shall be held, and

the judges who shall conduct and preside over the sar

will be as follows:

For the first ward in the city of Washington at Samue

Drury's office, on Pennsylvania avenue, Judges

Southey S. Parker, Terence Drury, and Alexander H

Pennsylvania avenue. Judges: Charles L. Coltman Charles J. Canfield, and Edward C. Dyer.

For the third ward, near the corner of 9th street, be

tween F and G, west of the Patent Office. Judges Valentine Harbaugh, Joseph Bryan, and Harvey Critten

For the fourth ward, at the west end of City Hall.

Judges: William A. Kennedy, John T. Clement

For the fifth ward, at the Columbia engine-ho

Judges: Henry C. Purdy, Thomas Hatchinson, and Ja-

For the sixth ward, at the Anacostia engine-hous

For the seventh ward, at Island Hall. Judges: Samuel

For Georgetown, at the mayor's office. Judges: Edward Chapman, John L. Kidwell, and Wm. H. Edes.

lies west of Rock Creek, at Conrad's tavern, in Tennally

town. Judges: Joshua Peirce, Charles R. Belt, and

For that portion of said county which lies between Rock Creek and the Eastern Branch of the Potomac, at

Seventh street toll-gate, Judges: Thomas Blagden, Dr.

And for that portion of said county which lies east of

the Eastern Branch of the Potomac, at Goodhope tavern

Judges: Selby B. Scaggs, Fenwick Young, and Dr. Well

The judges presiding at the respective places of hold

aithfully; and, immediately after the close of the polis

they shall count up the votes and certify what number

were given "For the Revised Code," and what number

Against the Revised Code ;" which certificates shall be

transmitted within twenty-four hours to the Attorney General of the United States, who will report the same to

Given under my hand this 24th day of December. D

[L. s.] eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, and of inde-pendence the eighty-second.
Dec 27—d3t&lawtd JAMES BUCHANAN.

TO THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON.

Wolfe's Schiedam Aromatic Schuapps.

its medicinal properties in correcting the disagreeable and often dan-gerous effects produced by a change of water, a visitation to which all travellers South and West are particularly liable. Strangers should be careful in purchasing the schnapps, as the whole country is fooded with counterfeits and imitations. The genuine has the properties's name on the bottle, cork, and label. For sale by all the druggists and

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goods All our entire stock of embroideries. Our entire stock of shawle, which is very large and thorough!

Our object is to make room for large spring supplies.

One price only, marked in plain figures; consequently no purchaser is overcharged.
Good articles, low prices, and fair dealing may be reflect on in all passes.

\*\*Central Stores," west building,
Dec 22—104.01

Opposite Centra Market.

By C. W. BOTELER, Auctioneer,

XTENSIVE Sale of a Choice Collection of Rare

Old Wines and Laquors by Catalogue.—On Toroctay morning r 20th, commencing at 11 o'clock, I shall sell at my cales-r Iron Hall, a care collection of bottlock Madeira, sherry, and champague wines, bratidies, gin, whickey, swee s, olives, &c.

pickies, olives, &c.
This consignment is made by one of the largest and most reliable
bounes in the city of New York, and embraces decidedly the pureand most rure assortment of ready superior wines and injuner this
has ever been offered at anotion to the Washington public.
Catalogues will be ready for distribution in a few days. The attention of composite is particularly invited to the sale. Terms a
sale.

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Later from Konsus.

Sr. Louis, Dec. 28.—Kansas advices of the 22d instant have been received. The constitution with slavery was carried by a large majority, but the returns are meagre. It is stated in Lawrence letters received by the St. Louis Republican that a body of men had gone to Lecompton to seize the territorial aims. Lane had also gone to Fort Scott with the avowed intention to destroy the place—to exterminate the pro-slavery settlers on the Shawnee reservation, and carry the war into Missouri.

General Decays had assumed the covernorship and issued Whereas by an act of Congress approved March 3, 855, entitled "An act to improve the laws of the Ditrict of Columbia, and to calify the same," the Prevident of the United States was directed to appoint a time and place for taking the sense of the citizens of the Ditrict of Columbia for or against the adoption of the code prepared in pursuance of said act, and further to provide and proclaim the mode and rules of conducting such elec-

General Denver had assumed the governorship, and issued an address exhorting the people to appeal to the ballet box for the settlement of the difficulties of the State President Calhoun has invited him and the officers of the rislature to be present at the counting of the nere is nothing authentic from Fort Scott. ADDITIONAL PROM MANSAS.

Sr. Louis, Dec. 28.—A bearer of despatches from the governor passed through this city yesterday on his way to Washington. The poll was not opened at Lawrence. The convention at Lawrence, on the 23d, will decide whether to vote for State officers; many favor such a course with the view of crushing State government. Stanton is mentioned as candidate for governor.

Walker in Custodia NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—General Walker delivered h self to Marshal Bynders, who has made arrangements to accompany the prisoner to Washington to morrow to as-certain the intentions of the President.

Reception of the Nicaraguan News in the South MOBILE, Dec. 28.—There is great excitement her

o the government intervention, and the alker. It is believed that a public meet-

New York, Dec. 28.—Cotton closed with a declining tendency—sales 300 biales Uplands middling, 9½ cents. Breadstuffs dull—State and Ohio flour nominal; southern has declined about 20 cents—sales at \$4 60 a \$4 80. Wheat is heavy—sales 7.500; quotations are nominal. Corn heavy—sales 20,000 bushels; new southern white, Corn heavy—sales 20,000 bushels; new southern water 56 a 60 cents. Pork is drooping—mess, \$15 50 a \$15 62 prime, \$13 35 a \$13 50. Beef is quiet—western repack. prime, \$13 35 a \$15 50. Beef is quiet—western repack-ed, \$9 50 a \$12. Lard is dull at 9 a 9½ cents. Whis-key dull at 21 cents for Ohio. Coffee is quiet at 8½ a 10½ cents for Rio. Sugar is firm—Porto Rico, 7 cents. Mo-lesses nominal—34 a 35 cents for New Orleans. Spirits of turpentine heavy at 38 a 39 cents. Rosin is dull at \$1 27 a \$1 30. Rice is steady at 3 a 3½ cents. Freights

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Washington, December 23, 1857.
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